

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1-6. (cancelled)

7. (original) A method for generating electric power, in which method electric power is generated with biocatalytic fuel cell units, wherein the fuel cell units are connected through a controllable switch to one or more intermediate storages, and the method comprises a step for controlling the controllable switches cyclically to and from conducting state to increase the output voltage of the fuel cell units.

8. (original) A method as claimed in claim 7, wherein the method also comprises a step for defining one or more properties of the cells, and controlling on the basis of the definition the controllable switch of a cell having a specific property to conducting state.

9. (original) A method as claimed in claim 8, wherein the property to be defined is the voltage of the cell.

10. (original) A method as claimed in claim 8, wherein the method also comprises a step for continuously defining the voltages of the cell, for controlling on the basis of the definition, the controllable switch of a specific cell to conducting state, and for keeping the switch in conducting state

until the voltage of the specific cell decreases below a predefined limit value.

11. (previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 7, wherein the method also comprises a step for converting the voltage stored in the intermediate storage with a voltage converter to provide output voltage.

12. (previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 7, wherein the intermediate storages are capacitors or accumulators.

13-16. (cancelled)